सौराष्ट्र कच्छ कैनाल का काम भी शुरू करना है तो इसके लिए पैसा चाहिए तो केन्द्रीय सरकार हमें कब मदद दे रही है? इन दोनों का अगर मंत्री महोदय जवाब दे दें तो गुजरात को तो फायदा होगा ही साथ ही तीनों राज्यों को भी फायदा होगा ।

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: Madam, I would like to explain a litte bit about the World Bank loan.

THE DEPUTR CHAIRMAN: No, no that is over. You answer her question. Did you follow? She said that the Government refused the World Bank loan. Now the money which was coming to Gujarat through World Bank is not coming. Is the Central Government going to give or not? Just say 'yes' or 'no' because we have taken half an hour on your Question. I cannot go more. I have other questions also.

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: I will try to be very brief and complete within a few minutes.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: It is a show of English. (Interruptions).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You do not know the reference to the context.

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: As I have said, the joint venture is conceived only because of this aspect. (Interruptions).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is for the Chair to take note of it.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: What is he saying of 'show of English'? I protest against this. What is this?

उपसभापति : आप बैठ जाइये ।

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: That is how we have conceived this joint venture. We will take care when it comes up. Otherwise, we will try to work out other alternatives.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Next Question

*125. (The Questioner (Shri Debabrata Biswas) was absent. For answer vide col.. infra)

*126. (The Questioner (Shri Mohammed Afzal alias Meem Afzal) was absent. For answer vide col.....infra.)

बिहार में बड़ी सिंचाई परियोजनायें

*127. **श्री ब्रह्म देव आनन्द पासवान** : क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बिहार के छोटा नागपुर क्षेत्र में बड़ी सिंचाई परियोजनाओं को लागू करने का क्या औचित्य है ;

(ख) विश्व बैंक द्वारा इस क्षेत्र में अभी तक कितनी बड़ी परियोजनाओं को स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई है; और

(ग) इस क्षेत्र में बड़ी सिंचाई परियोजनाओं का विकल्प क्या है और क्या सरकार वैकल्पिक व्यवस्था को प्रयोगिक आधार पर लागू करने का विचार रखती है ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (c) Irrigation schemes are selected after taking into consideration site conditions, water availability, techno-economic, environmental and social factors. Keeping in view location specific constraints of the region, the State Govt. has laid more emphasis on medium and minor schemes in Chotta Nagpur area. Only one major project namely Subernarekha Multipurpose Project has been extended World Bank Credit assistance of US $127 million.

श्री ब्रह्मदेव आनन्द पासवान : बिहार के छोटा नागपुर के पलामू जिला में स्थित "कुटकू मंडल" बांध के निर्माण के मामले में पर्यावरण की दृष्टि से क्या आठ शर्तों

का पालन किया गया है ? उक्त बांध के निर्माण में 20 हजार एकड़ सघन जंगल बांध में डूब रहे हैं। क्या बांध में गाद के जमाव तथा भू-क्षरण को रोकने के लिए उपाय किए गए हैं ? कुटकू बांध में डूबे 27 गांवों के लोग जो विस्थापित हो चुके हैं, क्या उनको मुआवजा दिया गया है ? पलामू बांध परियोजना को बचाने के लिए क्या कोई उपाय किए गए हैं ?

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: Madam, the question, again is the same. All these aspects are gone through at the stage of project formulation, and I would like to tell the hon. Member that all this has been taken care of. What he is worried about has already been taken care of in the project.

श्री ब्रह्मदेव आनन्द पासवान : : क्या सरकार कदवन डेम जो बिहार में फीडर डेम है उसे बनाने के लिए तैयार है और अगर तैयार है तो कितने दिन के अन्दर यह कदवन बांध बन जाएगा ?

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: In fact, Madam, the implementation of the dams is done by the respective State Governments, and we assist them in the allocation of annual funds for such dams. We will certainly keep on helping them. I need the cooperation of the hon. Member is this to influence the State Government. Whatever money has been allocated to them, even that has not been spent. Therefore I would like the hon. Member to use his good offices and influence with the State Government to assist us.

श्री ब्रह्मदेव आनन्द पासवान : एक भी पैसा नहीं दिया है। वहां की सरकार को क्यों बदनाम कर रहे हैं ? आज तक एक पैसा भी कदवन डेन के लिए नहीं दिया गया है। क्यों वहां की सरकार को बदनाम कर रहे हैं ?

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: Madam, for each and every project, once the project report is cleared, then only the allocations are made. That's why I was saying in reply to his first supplementary that all these questions come up at the stage of clearance of the project. Studies are made and clearance is given only after all the studies are available. Once the clearance is given, then the allocation comes, and without getting the clearance the allocation doesn't come. What I am talking about is the overall situation in in Bihar for the the implementation of the dams, the irrigation projects.

श्री ब्रह्मदेव आनन्द पासवान : कितने साल में क्लीयर कर देंगे ?

श्री एस० एस० अहलुवालिया : महोदया, मैं मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहूंगा कि अभी अभी उन्होंने बताया कि मेजर इरीगेशन प्रोजेक्ट लगाने के लिए जो जस्टिफिकेशन और क्राइटेरिया फिक्स किया गया है उसके तहत ड्राउट प्रोन एरियाज में खास कर बिहार के साथ एक ऐसी अवस्था है कि आधा बिहार फ्लड में डूब जाता है तो आधार बिहार सुखाड़ में ग्रस्त हो जाता है और ड्राउट प्रोन एरिया के लिए मेजर और माइनर इरीगेशन प्रोजेक्ट लगाने के लिए क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार ने कोई प्रोजेक्ट बनाया है या सर्वे किया है, उसका निरीक्षण किया है ? इतनी बार सेन्ट्रल टीमें 1974 से ड्राउट एरियाज का एसेसमेंट करने के लिए बार बार वहां जा रही हैं। बिहार के बीच से कितनी ही दरिया निकलती हैं। वहां पर पानी की कमी नहीं है। अगर उसको सही तरीके से केनाल के माध्यम से जोड़ा जा सके तो शायद पूरे बिहार को सिंचाई व्यवस्था के अन्तर्गत लाया जा सकेगा। साथ साथ मैं यह भी पूछना चाहता हूं कि एक नेशनल गारलैण्ड केनाल का जो कांसेप्ट है उस पर क्या मंत्रालय विचार कर रहा है और उसमें बिहार का जो हिस्सा है, वहां से कोई शुरूआत की जा सकती है या नहीं ?

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: Madam, to overcome the problems of drought and floods in Bihar, minor irrigation projects are taken up by the State Government, and medium and major irrigation projects are also implemented once they are cleared by the State Government. For the information of the hon. Member, I would like to say that the projects like

the Chandil Dam and the Icha Dam are the once which will have overall benefit the State of Bihar.

As regards the garland canal, the hon. Member will be glad to know that the water basins of the country are being studied. The dry basins will be connected with the surplus water basins. These studies are going on in two parts. One is the Himalayan territory, and the other one is the Deccan part. These studies are going on. A question may be asked, why it is being delayed. These studies have to be carried out in consultation with the respective States. Only a few days ago I had a meeting with some of the Ministers from the States. We have discussed how water can be got in dry basins including those of the rivers in Bihar.

About the necklace channel particularly which the hon. Member has mentioned, I think, he has the Himalayan necklace channel in mind. For that a lot of study is going on, but no firming up has been made so far.

श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी : तीस सालों से हिमालयन नेकलेस बना रहा है।

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: That is why I am saying that all the steps have to be discussed, and the techno-economic feasibility has to be studied.

In a meeting taken by the Prime Minister, you will be glad to know, Madam, even for the Brahmaputra valley we are having a study by the Brahmaputra Flood Control Board on whether the Brahmaputra water can be brought to Bihar, up to Bihar for the best utilisation of the available water in other parts.

SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: Madam Deputy Chairman, the Minister has stated that the Subarnarekha Project which has been funded by the World Bank, is for the purpose of irrigation in the States of Bihar and Orissa. This is located mostly in the tribal areas of both the States. I would like to know from the Minister the reasons for the stoppage of the work in the Orissa region of the Subarnarekha Project, since when and when probably the work is expected to start again.

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: Madam, regarding the stoppage of work, I have no information, but I can assure the hon. Member that if the work has stopped, I will see that it starts again.

SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: If you don't have the information, kindly check up with your officers.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Kindly check it up.

SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: The work stopped two years ago.

SHRI P. K. THUNGON: I will certainly check up why it has been stopped and how it can be started again.

*128. [*The Questioner (Dr. Naunihal Singh) was absent. For answer vide Col. . . infra.*]

*129. [*The Questioner (Shri P. Upendra) was absent. For answer vide Col. . . infra.*]

Subsidy to farmers for drip irrigation

*130. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:†

SHRI G. G. SWELL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 50 per cent subsidy is given to farmers for drip irrigation;

(b) if so, when this scheme for subsidy was started and what is the disbursement so far in relation to the number of farmers involved, acreage covered and total amount spent as subsidy;

(c) whether it is a fact that under drip irrigation scheme, Rs. 12,000 capital cost is calculated per acre and 50 per cent is paid as subsidy;

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†The Question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Subramanian Swamy.